Friday 5th January 2024 – N°15





Our value this term: Generosity

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Happy New Year!

Happy new year to all our families – it has been wonderful to welcome the children back in, even though it has felt incredibly early this time. The staff had a useful INSET day developing our skills further about how to support children with ADHD and also learning more about promoting good mental health.

Super SATs results from 2023

For the first time since before lockdowns, the Government have released all the schools' SATs data and we can see how we compared to all the other local authority schools (of which there are about 100). I am so proud to share with you that CCJ results were 9th across the whole of South Gloucestershire for the percentage of children reaching expected standard in all their tests and 3rd for the number reaching greater depth. Whilst this is a great achievement, what I am so tremendously proud of is that we do that whilst still being inclusive of every child, having a broad and rich curriculum and extra-curricular offer and retaining our brilliant staff team. I am so proud of our children and our staff team who make CCJ such a special school and such a wonderful place to learn. Thank you to you all for believing in us and entrusting your children's KS2 time to us. Have a great weekend. *Mrs Osborne* **CCJ** Vision

Following our full Governing Body meeting in December, we can confirm that we have now officially adopted our new school vision.



Thank you for all the feedback during the consultation.



Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to the Mukhdoom family who very kindly donated £100 to the school. This is a very generous donation and we are very grateful. We will use it towards new sports resources. Thank you!



Weekly Celebration Certificate



Each week, one pupil from each class is awarded a celebration certificate for going above and beyond. This week's winners are:

Starlings	All Starling Class
Swallows	Bella
Woodpeckers	Lexí
Robins	Sophie
Wagtails	Arthur
Jays	Grace
Puffins	Níhal
Kingfishers	Grace
Kestrels	Norah
Falcons	Zach

Term 3 PE Days

These are the allocated PE days for next term. Please ensure that your child has suitable CCJ PE kits in school on these days. Football kits are not uniform.

	Indoor	Outdoor
Starlings	Mondays	Tuesdays
Swallows	Mondays	Tuesdays
Woodpeckers	Thursdays	Mondays
Wagtails	Wednesdays	Fridays
Robins	Wednesdays	Fridays
Puffins	Fridays	Thursdays
Jays	Fridays	Thursdays
Kingfishers	Thursdays	Mondays
Falcons	Tuesdays	Wednesdays
Kestrels	Tuesdays	Wednesdays







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Know when to keep your child at home

The start of a new term is a good time to familiarise yourself with the symptoms of common illnesses:

- It's fine to send your child to school or nursery • with a minor cough or common cold if they are otherwise well and do not have a high temperature. But if your child has a fever, of 38C or more, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better, and the fever has resolved.
- If they have diarrhoea and/or vomiting, they • should stay home for at least 48 hours after the last episode.

The NHS has this **useful guide** to help parents decide whether a child is well enough to go to school, based on their symptoms.

If your child is unwell you must contact the school office by email or phone call by 8:30am.

CCJ dates for your diary

January

Wed 17th - Javelin Park, Eco Warriors Mon 29th – Athletics Young Leaders Mon 29th – Athletics Swallow & Starling Wed 31st – Athletics Wagtail, Robin & Woodpecker

February

Thurs 1st – Athletics Jay, Puffin & Kingfisher Fri 2nd – Athletics Kestrel & Falcon Mon 5th – Fri 9th – Book Fayre Fri 9th – End of Term 3 Mon 19th – Start of Term 4

March

Mon 11th – Roman Museum Trip (Robins & Waqtails) Thurs 14th – Roman Museum Trip (Woodpecker, Swallows & Starling) Mon 25th – Easter Service Thurs 28th – INSET DAY

Thurs 28th – End of Term 4

Pokémon / Match Attax Cards

We seem to have a number of children bringing Pokémon / Match Attax cards into school, which is then causing issues during break and lunchtimes. Please can you ensure that your child DOES NOT bring these or any other trading card from home into school. Thank you for your cooperation.

Primary School Applications

A reminder that if you have younger siblings that you are applying for a place in reception class, applications need to be in by Monday 15th January 2024. Applications should be completed on the local authorities' website.



Happy New Year!

In those moments of reflection, some of



us may tend to find flaws in ourselves and begin to create lofty goals that are difficult to reach in the new year. While the new year is a fresh start full of opportunities, there is often immense pressure to achieve better versions of ourselves.

Set clear boundaries and prioritize activities that nurture your well-being. Make time for sleep, relaxation, exercise, and hobbies you enjoy. Taking care of yourself is essential for managing stress and maintaining emotional resilience.

If you, or your children are feeling overwhelmed as the new year begins, remember the 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 method is a grounding exercise designed to manage acute stress and reduce anxiety. It involves identifying 5 things you can see, 4 things you can touch, 3 things you can hear, 2 things you can smell, and 1 thing you can taste.

As always, we are here to support our CCJ children & their families. If you find it difficult to talk, sometimes emailing can be easier.

Wishing you all the best & happiness for 2024.







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